# CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Friday, October 7, 2002

# **HOUSE**

The House was not in session today.

Its next meeting will be held on Monday, October 7, 2002, at 9:30 a.m.

# Congressional Program Ahead - Week of October 7 through October 12, 2002:

**Committee on Government Reform:** 10/8/02 @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations, oversight hearing on "The Use and Abuse of Government Credit Cards at the Department of the Navy." 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform: 10/9/02 @ 11:00 a.m. Full Committee, to consider the following bills: H.R. 5205, to amend the District of Columbia Retirement Protection Act of 1997 to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to use estimated amounts in determining the service longevity component of the Federal benefit payment required to be paid under such Act to certain retirees of the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia; H.R. 5215, Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002; H.R. 4187, Presidential Records Act Amendments of 2002; and H.R. 2458, E-Government Act of 2002; and to consider the following Committee Reports entitled: "Making Federal Computers Secure: Overseeing Effective Information Security Management;" "How Can The Federal Government Better Assist State and Local Governments Prepare for a Biological, Chemical, or Nuclear Attack?;" "The Federal Government's Continuing Efforts to Improve Financial Management;" "Federal Law Enforcement at the Borders and Ports of Entry: Challenges and Solutions;" and "Problems With the Presidential Gifts System." 2154 Rayburn.

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Committee on the Judiciary: 10/8/02 @ 4:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 2929, Bail Bond Fairness Act of 2001. 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary: 10/10/02 @ 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on "A Judicial Diminished is Justice Denied: the Constitution, the Senate, and the Vacancy Crisis in the Federal Judiciary." 2141 Rayburn.

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# Remarks:

Leach-LaFalce Internet Gambling Enforcement Act.

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Houses of Worship Political Speech Protection Act.

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Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-cost, and Timely Healthcare Act of 2002.

 Flake
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 McCollum
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# SENATE

#### **Measures Introduced:**

S. 3059. A bill to provide for the distribution of judgment funds to the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Baucus

Pages S 9983, S 9992-93

# Congressional Program Ahead - Week of October 7 through October 12, 2002:

Committee on the Judiciary: 10/7/02 @ 2:00 p.m. To hold hearings to examine pending judicial nominations. SD-226.

Committee on the Judiciary: 10/8/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business. SD-226.

Committee on the Judiciary: 10/8/02 @ 2:00 p.m. Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Feres Doctrine focusing on the examination of military exception to the Federal Torts Claims Act. SD-226.

Committee on the Judiciary: 10/9/02 @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to examine new laws implemented by the Administration in the fight against terrorism. SD-226.

**Committee on the Judiciary:** 10/10/02 @ 2:15 p.m. Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, to hold hearings to examine protecting seniors from fraud. SD-226.

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# Remarks:

# The Confirmation of the 80th Judicial Nominee of This Congress.

"...Republicans simply have no standing to complain that 100 percent of President George W. Bush's circuit court nominees have not been confirmed. Recent history makes their complaints on this point ring hollow. Democrats have been better by far to this President's judicial nominees than Republicans were to the last President's. For example, at the most recent judicial nominations hearing held last week, Democrats had already given hearings to 96 of the 105 eligible judicial nominees with complete files, the remaining two dozen nominees did not have completed files. Thus, 91 percent of judicial nominees who had completed files were given a hearing. This remarkable achievement is irrefutable evidence that we are not blocking this administration's judicial nominees..."

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# New Public Laws:

H.J. Res. 112, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003. Signed on October 4, 2002. (Public Law 107-235)

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Next SENATE MEETING: Monday, 12:00 p.m., October 7, 2002. Next HOUSE MEETING: Monday, 9:30 a.m., October 7, 2002.

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